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**SUBSCRIPTIONS OF VARIOUS INDIAN TRIBES**

IN

**UPPER CANADA,**

**IN AID OF THE FUNDS**

FOR THE

**RE-CONSTRUCTION OF BROCK'S MONUMENT,**

**ON QUEENSTON HEIGHTS.**

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**TORONTO:**

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

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TORONTO, 19th FEBRUARY, 1841.

AT a meeting of the General Committee, for the re-construction of BROCK'S Monument, held this day at the House of Assembly, the following Correspondence and Documents were read :

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(*Copy.*)

INDIAN OFFICE,  
Toronto, 28th January, 1841.

SIR,

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for the purpose of being presented to His Excellency the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, the accompanying Addresses, from various Tribes of INDIANS resident within this Province, expressive of their indignation and abhorrence at the wanton destruction of the Monument, erected on the Heights of Queenston, to the memory of the late Major-General SIR ISAAC BROCK : and soliciting his Excellency's permission to contribute to the fund for its re-construction, from their respective annuities, settled upon them by Government in consideration of Lands ceded by them to the Crown.

The manifestations of devoted Loyalty and sincere attachment to the British Government, which prevail throughout all these Addresses, will, I am persuaded, be most gratifying to his Excellency, and may be considered as meriting from him some expression of his approbation of what they have done on this occasion.

The Addresses have been accompanied by requisitions for the sums subscribed by each respective Tribe.

I therefore beg permission to suggest, that a communication on the subject be made by his Excellency to the Committee for superintending the re-building of the Monument: and also, for his consideration the propriety of directing the Addresses to be published in some one of the newspapers.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servant,

SAMUEL P. JARVIS.

The Hon. R. A. TUCKER,  
*Provincial Secretary.*

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(Copy.)

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE  
Toronto, 3rd Februry, 1841.

SIR,

The Lieutenant-Governor has perused, with the greatest satisfaction, the several Addresses from various Tribes of the Indians resident in this Province,

transmitted in your letter to me of the 28th ultimo, expressive of their deep abhorrence of the atrocious violence which has been offered by midnight incendiaries to the Monument, that had been erected by the public voice of a grateful people, to the memory of the late Major-General SIR ISAAC BROCK, and communicating their wish to contribute to the Subscription, now in progress, for restoring that sacred memorial of the gallant services of the departed Hero.

I am accordingly directed by His Excellency SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, to desire, that you will immediately convey to those Tribes, his strong approbation of the fine feeling exhibited by them on this interesting occasion, and to assure them, that such conduct cannot fail to strengthen those favourable sentiments which have always been entertained towards them by the whole British Nation.

I am also instructed by his Excellency to request, that you will be pleased to communicate immediately these liberal and praise-worthy donations of the Indians, to the Committee for superintending the reconstruction of the memorial.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servant,

R. A. TUCKER,

*Provincial Secretary.*

S. P. JARVIS, Esq.

*Chief S. I. Affairs.*



## INDIAN OFFICE,

Toronto, 13th February, 1841.

SIR,

HIS Excellency SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, has committed to me the very gratifying duty, of placing into the hands of your Treasurer, the Contributions which have been made by the several Tribes and Communities of Indians in this Province, to the Fund for restoring the Monument to the late Major-General SIR ISAAC BROCK. I have been also directed to lay before you, the several Addresses which have been transmitted by the principal Chiefs of the different Tribes to His Excellency, in which they have made known their wish, to unite with their fellow Subjects in this interesting object. You will perceive from these Addresses, that the sum which I have this day paid to the Treasurer of the Fund, amounts to two hundred and seven pounds, ten shillings, Currency; and is contributed by the following Bodies of Indians:

*The Chippewas* of the Upper Reserve, on the River St. Clair.

*The Chippewas* of the Lower Reserve and Walpole Island, on the River St. Clair.

*The Hurons and Wyandotts* of Amherstburgh.

*The Chippewas* of the River Thames.

*The Munsees* of the River Thames.

*The Moravians* of the River Thames.

*The Oneidas* of the River Thames.



*The Six Nations Indians* of the Grand River.

*The Mississagas* of the River Credit.

*The Chippewas* of the Saugeeng River, Lake Huron.

*The Chippewas* of the Township of Rama, Lake Simcoe.

*The Chippewas* of Snake Island, Lake Simcoe.

*The Mississagas* of Alnwick, Rice Lake.

*The Mississagas* of Rice Lake Village, Otanabee ;  
and of Mud and Balsam Lakes.

*The Mohawks* of the Bay of Quinté.

The Committee, I am sure, will receive with a pleasure as sincere as I feel in transmitting it, this munificent contribution, from the interesting remnants of the Brave and Noble People who first inhabited this Continent. Knowing the honest warmth of their feelings, and the sincerity of their professions, I have been much affected by their earnest desire, to shew their fresh and grateful recollection of the gallant General, whom they admired and loved as their leader, and whom they would faithfully have followed through any danger, in defence of their Country, and of the authority of their King.

There are many Members of the Committee, who had the good fortune to serve under the late SIR ISAAC BROCK, during his short and brilliant career, and they will remember the affectionate veneration, and unbounded confidence, with which he inspired all who were under his command ; and I am sure they will receive with particular gratification, this

generous testimony of the Indian Warriors, so honourable to themselves as men, and no less honourable to the memory of that great and lamented Chief, who was able, during a few short weeks of desperate trial, to impress upon the untutored, but discerning Indians, feelings, of which the recollection and duration, will never perish, while any of the Race remain.

On behalf of the several Tribes who have joined in this Contribution, I have to assure the Committee, of the delight it will afford them to learn, that their affectionate tribute is mingled with the donations of their White Brethren in Canada; and that the Column, which is to honour and protect the remains of BROCK, will record also the gratitude of the Red Children of their Great Mother the Queen.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servant,

SAMUEL P. JARVIS.

TO COLONEL BULLOCK,

*Sec'y. to Com. for restoring*

*Brock's Monument.*

## ADDRESSES.

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*To His Excellency* SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, *K. C. H.*  
*Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada, &c. &c. &c.*

HONOURED FATHER :

We, your Red Children residing at the River St. Clair, respectfully and humbly approach, to make known to you, that we have heard with sorrow and disgust, of the destruction of the Monument on Queenston Heights, erected by a grateful people, to the memory of our gallant Chief, the late Sir Isaac Brock.

From the reverential and deep respect we shew to our dead, whose graves we preserve from insult or injury by our own hands, we feel keenly the insult, and our indignation is roused, on learning that, it is the diabolical act of some cowardly miscreants from the American shore. Under the impulse of these feelings, rendered the more poignant, <sup>and</sup> some few still exist amongst us, who have shared in his dangers, and shed their blood with him, in defence of this our common country—we beg, respectfully, to offer you our voluntary contribution, (Ten Pounds, Currency) towards its re-erection, much regretting our inability to do more.

We, your Red Children, imploring the Great Spirit to protect and bless you and yours, both in time and eternity—wish you farewell.

We, the Chiefs, subscribe our names for the Tribe.

WAWANOSH.

OJEBEKUN.

SEWETAHGUN.

*Upper Indian Reserve, River St. Clair,*  
15th December, 1840.

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*To our Great Father in Toronto.*

FATHER :

We have heard that the Longknife has destroyed, in the night, the Tomb which the brave had built to the bravest.

FATHER :

That Chief led us, as well as you, to victory. On that hill which we conquered, his blood was mingled with ours. Father, we are sorry.

FATHER :

Among our people, the graves of the dead are sacred; the curse of the Great Spirit falls upon him who tramples on that even of an Infant; the passing Indian stays his steps to replace its scattered remains, and calls for vengeance on the destroyer.

FATHER :

We are poor and weak ; what we have comes from you ; but we also wish to join our White Brethren in restoring the Tomb of our friend and Leader.

FATHER :

When the passer-by gazes on the Monument of Brock, let him see written—"The Red Men struck the foe by the side of the dead ; he lives in their hearts, and their hand has here placed one stone to his memory.

FATHER :

We say again we have but little ;—of that little accept some, and we shall be proud thus at once to tell our love for the Warrior we mourn, and our hatred of those who insulted his remains.

FATHER :

We take you by the hand, and bid you farewell.

BIGIGISHIGUESHKAM.

NEWEEGEGISHICK.

CHEVQUNA.

NAVERGIGISISWIBE.

KOUTOUNG.

*To His Excellency SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, K. C. H.  
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper  
Canada, &c. &c. &c.*

FATHER :

In our hearts we shake you by the hand ; and we thank the Great Spirit that He has preserved you to see the end of another year ; and that He has permitted us to assemble once more, around the Council fire of our forefathers.

FATHER :

Our object in meeting together this day, is to communicate to you, the feelings and wishes of your Red Children.

Open your ears and listen.

FATHER :

Twenty-seven winters have passed, with the swiftness of the deer, when startled by the tread of the young hunter, since you said, "the game is at an end ; the Big-knife, who dared to measure strength with me, already pants for breath, and has grown weak ; he asks for rest, and I have opened my ears to him ; therefore, my Red Children, let the war cry cease to be heard—let the Tomahawk be buried—and let us once more smoke the pipe of peace with him."

FATHER :

When these words were spoken by you, the war whoop was suppressed—the firm grasp of the Tomahawk was relaxed—and the pipe of peace was taken



up, because it was the command of our Father, beyond the Great Lake.

FATHER :

But while the head of the Red man is still bowed down with grief—and while the eyes of his women and children are yet dim with tears, for those who are not—he hears with abhorrence and indignation, that the serpent with the double tongue, has polluted the resting places of the illustrious dead ! Yes Father, the bones of the venerated Chiefs, Brock and Tecumseth, who were struck low, while foremost in the fight, are sought after by him who works as a mole in the dark, and are even now denied the repose of the grave.

FATHER :

The heart of the Big-knife is hid in his breast—warm him in your bosom, and he will requite you with death—such, Father, is the nature of the reptile you pitied, and placed under your wing.

FATHER :

The bad feeling which prompted him to attempt the destruction of the last resting place of the gallant Brock, we cannot sufficiently condemn ; and to shew our veneration and respect, for the memory of that great Chief, we now offer our mite in aid of the building of a new Monument to him, and may it ever stand firm as a rock in the midst of the great waters, defying the dashing of the angry waves.

FATHER :

Our men, women and children, salute you. May the strong chain which has so long united us in friend-



ship, ever remain bright ; and may the Great Spirit give you a long life, and a clear sky.

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PETER ✕ GOLD, CHIEF.  
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his  
THOMAS ✕ CLARKE, CHIEF.  
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JOSEPH ✕ WANOW, CHIEF.  
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HARRY ✕ HUNT.  
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GEORGE ✕ MARTIN.  
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JOHN ✕ BAPTIST.  
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FRANCIS ✕ PARKS.  
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his  
MATTHEW ✕ GREY-EYES.  
mark  
THOMAS A. CLARK.  
THOMAS McKEE.  
ALEXANDER CLARKE.  
WILLIAM CLARKE.  
JOSEPH CLARKE.

GEO. IRONSIDE,  
S. I. A.

At a Conference held at Colborne, on Thames, the  
27th January, 1841—

P R E S E N T :

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
REV. RICHARD FLOOD, }  
REV SOLOMON WALDRON, } MISSIONARIES.

And the CHIEFS OF THE DELAWARES, ONEIDAS & CHIPPEWAS.

The Chief, CANOTING, arose and said, that he was appointed to speak for the three Tribes, and addressed the Superintendent as follows:

FATHER :

We have met in Council, to take into consideration a subject which has engaged the attention of our White Brethren throughout the country. We mean the destruction of the Monument erected on Queenston Heights to the memory of a great Warrior, who, like Tecumseth, fell in defence of his Sovereign. We have a few Chiefs and Warriors still living who fought under the command of the great and good General Brock; and we remember when he travelled on that road (the Long Woods) he said to us, "I bring my sword to fight against your enemy and mine; and now I tell you plainly, they must not throw us down; rise, follow me, that your Children may partake of all the privileges which you have ever enjoyed under the protection of your great Father." These words struck deep in our hearts, and with one shout we flew to aid him. Our hearts are yet afflicted by the loss of many a brave Chief and Warrior who fell in that war; and when we heard that the ashes of that Warrior had been disturbed, and the Monument shattered by the hand of the cowardly white man, our indignation was aroused, and we all declared our abhorrence of such wickedness against the will of the Great Spirit, who was pleased to place him there.

FATHER :

The three Nations here assembled have agreed to subscribe each, the sum of 'Ten Pounds, towards the re-construction of his Monument; and we request you to communicate to our great Father, Sir George

Arthur, our sentiments on this subject ; and to assure him, that it is our firm determination to retain the same zeal, loyalty and devotion, that glowed in the bosoms of our Forefathers, who bravely defended the Royal Standard, under which we have the happiness to live, and to claim the proud distinction of British subjects.

FATHER :

We salute you, and our friends the Missionaries, with a hearty shake of the hand.

Certified,

J. B. CLENCH,

S. I. A.

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*To our Brother SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Upper Canada.*

BROTHER :

The Chiefs, Warriors and People, of the Six Nations Indians, heard with feelings of the greatest horror, that white men from the American Nation, had desecrated the grave of the brave and lamented Warrior, Sir Isaac Brock.

The Tomb of the brave Warrior has been always esteemed sacred among us, from the earliest period to which the tradition handed down to us from our Fathers extend.

BROTHER :

It has given to the Chiefs, Warriors and People, of the Six Nations, great pleasure to hear, that you, our

Brother, called a Meeting of your White People, at the spot where the brave Warrior fell, fighting in defence of his and our Country; and that it was resolved, to erect anew a Monument, sacred to his memory, to record his valour to future generations.

BROTHER :

We and our Fathers endured the fatigues and privations of war, fighting by the side of the illustrious dead, and wish to contribute from our funds, the Sum of Seventy-five Pounds, to forward the speedy completion of the work; to commemorate our veneration for the name of our illustrious and valiant Brother deceased; and to record our horror at the perpetration of so base a deed, as the destruction of the Tomb where his hallowed remains <sup>have</sup> ~~has~~ been interred.

BROTHER :

We have transmitted to our Chief Superintendent, an order for that amount; which we request may be paid for the above purpose, out of our funds in the hands of Government.

In the name and on behalf of the Six Nations.

MOSES WALKER.

JOHN S. JOHNSON.

PETER GREEN.

AARON FRAZER.

NOAH POWLIS.

his

PETER ~~X~~ POWLIS,

mark.

WITNESS—J. MARTIN,

c

*Super't. Indian Dep't.*

*To our Great Father SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, K. C. H.  
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Upper  
Canada, and Major General Commanding Her  
Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.*

FATHER :

Our ears have been shocked in hearing that some person or persons, have had the wickedness to destroy the sacred Grave of our late Great Father Major General Sir Isaac Brock, the brave Hero of Upper Canada.

FATHER :

We cannot find language sufficient to express our utter detestation of such an outrageous conduct.

FATHER :

Some of our People fought and bled by the side of that brave Chief. He was so brave that he feared no death. He was beloved by all the Red Coats—and by all the Inhabitants—and by all your Red Children.

FATHER :

We shall ever remember the debt of gratitude we and our children owe to that great Chieftain. Whilst your Red Children were sitting together, like a family of helpless Children, in danger of being tomahawked, the brave Hero flew with only a few brave Warriors to our rescue. His wisdom, skill and bravery, saved us from the destroying enemy.

FATHER :

Our hearts were made very glad, when we heard that your Excellency, and your great Officers and

Inhabitants of Upper Canada, were about to re-construct the Grave of our late Great Father ; and, as a tribute of respect to his memory, we wish to give Ten Pounds out of our Annual Land Payments, towards re-building the same.

FATHER :

We feel truly grateful to the British Grvernment, for the kind care they have ever manifested towards us.

FATHER :

We love our Great Mother the Queen, and all Her Children over the Great Waters.

FATHER ;

We are happy and contented to live under the protection of such a wise, good and powerful Government ; and we hope nothing shall ever separate us from the protecting hand of our Great Mother the Queen ; and may the blessing of the Great Spirit rest upon Her Majesty—upon Her great Chiefs—and upon Her people.

This is all we have to say.

Signed in behalf of the River Credit Indians.

JOSEPH SAWYER.

PETER JONES.

JOHN JONES.

THOMAS SMITH

JAMES YOUNG.

DAVID SAWYER.

*River Credit,*  
January 2nd, 1841.



*To SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, Lieutenant-Governor of the  
Province of Upper Canada.*

FATHER :

We, the Chiefs of the Chippewa Indians, of the Saugeeng River, take you by the hand, and with warm hearts, in the name of our People, wish you every happiness the Great Spirit can bestow upon you.

FATHER :

Your Red Children live a great distance to the North of your City ; and it is seldom we hear what is passing among our White Brethren.

FATHER :

Our anger was great, when we were informed that the Muck-o-Maws, (the Long-knives) had, like wolves in the night, stolen into our Country, and destroyed the Grave of a brave and gallant Soldier, Sir Isaac Brock.

FATHER :

The deeds of the lamented General have not been forgotten by us—His eye was like the Eagles'—His motions like Arrows from the Bow—His enemies fell before him, as the <sup>hills</sup> ~~truss~~ before the blast of the Great Spirit.

FATHER :

We loved and admired him when he lived and was with us ; now that he has departed to the land of Spirits, we can only mourn his loss, and offer our respect to his memory.



FATHER :

None but Cowards insult the Tomb of the dead : they are but Dogs ; but the vengeance of the Great Spirit will assuredly fall upon them, when they least expect it, and perhaps when exulting in their wickedness.

FATHER :

We were rejoiced to hear, that our White Brethren had resolved to re-build the Tomb to our departed Friend.

FATHER :

We shared with him the dangers of the day which terminated his existence ; and we ask to unite with our White Brethren, in recording to posterity, the deeds of a gallant and brave Warrior.

FATHER :

We have authorised our Chief Superintendent, to subscribe in our name, Ten Pounds, to assist in re-building the Tomb of our departed Brother.

This is all we have to say.

JACOB METEGWAUB.

WITNESS—HIRAM TOBECO,

*Mississaugua Indian Teacher,*

*At Saugeeng River.*

*To our Great Father* SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, K. C. H.  
*Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Upper*  
*Canada, and Major-General Commanding Her*  
*Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.*

FATHER ;

We have heard with grief and indignation of the destruction of the Monument erected to the memory of our Great Chief, Sir Isaac Brock.

FATHER :

We fought side by side with that Great Chief, and the Long-knives trembled at his approach.

FATHER :

He was brave, but he was merciful, and strictly enjoined his Red Children to spare the Long-knives when they surrendered themselves prisoners to us.

FATHER :

Gratitude for such merciful conduct, should have made the Long-knives respect his memory.

FATHER :

We have heard that our White Brethren are about to re-build His Monument.

FATHER :

We ask to be permitted to contribute towards the noble work, and therefore request that the sum of Ten Pounds may be advanced from our annuity for that purpose.

This is all we have to say.

*(Signed in behalf of the Rama Indians)*

WILLIAM YELLOWHEAD.

THOMAS NANINGISHKUNG.

*To our Great Father, SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, K. C. H.  
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Upper  
Canada, and Major-General Commanding Her  
Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.*

FATHER :

The brave deeds of the Great Chief, Sir Isaac Brock, are not forgotten by us ; they are fresh upon our memories.

FATHER :

Our respect for his memory, since he has departed to the land of Spirits, is the same as it was towards himself when he lived, and led us to victory against the Long-knives.

FATHER :

We have heard that the Long-knives have insulted the fame of our Great Chief, by destroying his Monument.

FATHER :

The fair fame of the dead, whether friend or foe, is held sacred among your Red Children.

FATHER :

We wish to unite with our White Brethren in re-establishing the Monument.

FATHER :

We are not rich, but we send you from our annuity, which we receive from you, Ten Pounds, to assist in completing this grand work.

This is all we have to say.

*(Signed in behalf of the Snake Island Indians.)*

JOSEPH SNAKE.

*To our Father SIR GEORGE ARTHUR, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Upper Canada.*

FATHER:

We take you by the hand and rejoice that the Great Spirit has spared your life to rule over us.

FATHER:

Our attachment to the British Government remains unchanged. We have fought and bled in <sup>the</sup> defence, and are ready to do so again.

FATHER:

The kindness and protection which we have always experienced from Government has sunk deep into our hearts, and we will ever feel grateful for the same.

FATHER:

Our anger was kindled when we heard that the Long-knives had crossed over to our soil, and insulted the remains of our brave Chief, Sir Isaac Brock.

FATHER:

His noble bearing in the hour of danger is fresh in our memory. We were proud to follow his example, and be led to victory by him.

FATHER:

We are informed that the Monument erected to his memory on the Queenston Heights, and recently destroyed by the enemies whom he had vanquished, is about to be restored by our White Brethren.

FATHER:

We claim a right to participate in the expense of recording the fame of our departed Friend and gallant Chief.

FATHER :

We pray you to accept of Ten Pounds of our Annuity, towards the re-construction of the Monument so basely destroyed.

JOHN SUNDAY,  
*The Head Chief of Alnwick.*

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To SAMUEL P. JARVIS, ESQUIRE, *Chief Superintendent of Indian Affairs.*

FATHER :

We have heard of the wicked attempt to destroy the Monument of our old Chief, Sir Isaac Brock ; and are also informed of the intention of the White Man to re-build it.

FATHER :

We respect the memory of the brave, and are sorry to find that there are any who do not.

Some of us fought on the same field on which the gallant General fell. We then felt the same sorrow in our hearts that our loyal brothers in arms, the White Men, felt, and we still unite with them in the deepest regret at our common loss. These feelings urge us readily to contribute our share to the expense of re-building that Monument which was designed to perpetuate the fame of such noble deeds.

FATHER :

We, who are thus ready to assist in the present exigency, will never be backward in testifying our loyal principles by still more substantial proofs, when-

ever our Great Mother, the Queen, shall lay her commands upon us. We will never refuse to hear her words. Our Great Fathers, her Royal Predecessors, have been very kind to our people. We are not unthankful. We do not wish to be idle ; but whenever we may be called upon to defend the honour and rights of the British Crown, we will most heartily strain every nerve, and do all the service in our power.

FATHER :

We authorize you to subscribe from our monies the sum of Fifteen Pounds, in aid of the praiseworthy work about to be performed ; and may the blessing of the Great Spirit make it prosper.

Dated at Rice Lake Mission, Otonabee, January 7, 1841.

GEORGE PAUDASH, Principal Chief.

JOHN CROW, Chief.

JOHN COPOWAY, Chief.

JOHN TAUNCHEY, Chief.

In presence of—

HENRY BALDWIN, Jun.

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*To SAMUEL PETERS JARVIS, Esq., Chief Superintendent  
of Indian Affairs in Upper Canada, &c. &c. &c.*

BROTHER :

The Chiefs and Warriors of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinté, assembled in council, salute you.

BROTHER :

Upwards of fifty years ago, the American people drove us from our hunting grounds, which the Great Spirit gave our fathers; and we can now no longer meet at the great council fire at *Onondaga*, where our Tribes were accustomed to assemble. But the British have given us a new home; and here we live, and light our council fire in safety.

BROTHER :

Since we were driven from our country we shake *you*, and every Englishman by the hand, and call him *brother*, for we have the same great Mother, the Queen, who makes no difference between her Red and White Children, except that she treats us like her *younger* Children.

BROTHER :

Our people are grateful for these things. We love our great Mother and our new country; and will defend both with the last drop of our blood, as our fathers, the Iroquois, did before us. The Mohawk will never stand by and see his adopted country or his white brother insulted. He will avenge it as an injury done himself.

BROTHER :

It is this feeling that leads us to address you. Our country has been insulted, and we are very angry at it. We heard of the shameful conduct of our American neighbours. When some bad people raised a disturbance here, and were forced to run away, they received these bad men as their friends, and gave them every assistance to stab and destroy our Mother.



But defeat and shame followed their repeated attempts. We know the Americans of old. Our fathers told us how they used *them*, and we see every year how they are abusing and murdering our red brethren in the west.

BROTHER :

We always thought the Americans a bad people ; but until now we thought they were *men*. Before the Indian saw the White Man, the Great Spirit taught him to look upon the tsi-kagh-ne-gagh-to-de (monuments) of the dead as sacred ; and much more so those of the good and the brave. But what are we to think of the wretch, who would steal over int he night, like a fox or a thief, when his neighbours, who were at peace with him, were asleep, and tramp down the *warrior's grave* ? Yet an American has done this ; and his country approves of it : for she receives this *rattle-snake* (who, we hear, had stung several times before) into her bosom, and hides him from the punishment he deserves.

BROTHER :

We will not talk of these people ; for when we do, the remembrance of the injuries they have done us, and are still doing our poor helpless Red Brethren of the West, makes our blood grow warm.

BROTHER :

We thank the Great Spirit that he has taught us the Christian Religion, which makes us love peace, and seek it with all men. But still we feel that the blood of the once mighty Iroquois runs in our veins, and insults of this kind are too much for us.

BROTHER :

We rejoice to hear that our country is about to build up the tsi-kagh-ne-gagh-to-de of Okoughretsha (Sir Isaac Brock.) Many of our people remember the face of that great warrior and good man. He was the Indian's friend. He died fighting our enemies, who boasted they were coming to take our country away *again*, and drive us from the face of the earth. He deserved the honour of the tsi-kagh-ne-gagh-to-de, that our children might know when he nobly fell, and where the bones of the Warrior Chief slept in peace.

BROTHER :

It must be built up again, higher and stronger than ever. We must shew our enemies we will not be insulted ; and if they forget they are *men*, they must expect to be treated like beasts and snakes.

BROTHER :

We are poor, but our hearts are big. We ask leave to put a few stones over the grave of our departed friend ; and we send you a requisition (for *seven pounds ten shillings*) for that purpose. We are proud to stand side by side with our White Brethren in all good deeds. The sum we send is very small ; but it is a little from *each Chief and Warrior* of our Nation, and we give it with *one heart*.

BROTHER :

Tell our good Father, the Governor, that although our *tomahawks* are buried, and we wish to sit down, yet our Warriors have not forgotten the *war whoop*;

and whenever it is raised at the call of our Queen, we will get up, like *one man*, to punish our enemy.

BROTHER :

Remember this: *we are always ready.*

Tyendinaga, December 26th, 1840.

Signed, on behalf of our Nation, by us,

BRANT BRANT,

JOSEPH  $\bowtie$  SMART,  
his  
mark.

POWLIS CLEW,

JOSEPH  $\bowtie$  PENN,  
his  
mark.

THOMAS  $\bowtie$  GREEN,  
his  
mark.

CHIEFS.

Witness,

T. WORTT.

Whereupon it was moved by the Honourable CHIEF JUSTICE ROBINSON, seconded by COLONEL FITZGIBBON, and unanimously—

*Resolved*—That the Committee for restoring the Monument erected to the Memory of the late Sir Isaac Brock, have received, with the most lively satisfaction, the Letter of the Chief Superintendent of Indian Affairs, written by desire of His Excellency Sir George Arthur, and communicating the munificent donations of the Principal Chiefs and others of

*The Chippewas* of the Upper Reserve on the River St. Clair,

*The Chippewas* of the Lower Reserve and Walpole Island, on the River St. Clair,

*The Hurons and Wyandootts* of Amherstburgh,

*The Chippewas* of the River Thames,

*The Munsees* of the River Thames,

*The Moravians* of the River Thames,

*The Oneidas* of the River Thames,

*The Six Nations* of the Grand River,

*The Mississagas* of the River Credit,

*The Chippewas* of the Saugeeng River, Lake Huron,

*The Chippewas* of the Township of Rama, Lake Simcoe,

*The Chippewas* of Snake Island, Lake Simcoe,

*The Mississagas* of Alnwick, Rice Lake,

*The Mississagas* of Rice Lake Village, in the Township of Otonabee, and of Mud and Balsam Lakes,

*The Mohawks* of the Bay of Quinté.

And that they have read, with great interest, the affecting Addresses, in which the Principal Chiefs have made known their wishes to the head of the Government.

The Committee have much pride in finding themselves associated with the brave and faithful Warriors of the Indian Nations, in the design of doing honour to the memory of the lamented General, who was loved and admired by all his followers; and it is their anxious wish that the Chief Superintendent of

Indian Affairs should, under the direction of His Excellency, take the most effectual means of assuring the Principal Chiefs, that the Militia, and other Inhabitants of Canada, are very thankful for their kind assistance in this grand design. That they feel the greatest respect for the loyalty, and for the warm and friendly hearts of their Red Brethren. That they will take care that their generous gift shall be made the best use of for the purpose they have resolved to join in; and that as long as the Monument shall stand, it shall tell their great Mother, the Queen, and all their White Brethren, that the brave and grateful Indians have not forgotten their glorious Leader and Friend, who flew to their defence in time of danger, and that they have helped to build the Tomb over his grave.

It was then moved by COLONEL DUGGAN, of the 1st East York Regiment, seconded by LIEUTENANT-COLONEL E. W. THOMSON, 7th North York Regiment, and—

*Resolved*—That the Addresses referred to in the above Resolution, together with the Resolution and the Correspondence upon the subject, which has been this day read, be printed, under the superintendence of the Secretary.

RICHARD BULLOCK,  
*Secretary Brock Committee.*





